

# Field Trial Committee Minutes

Tuesday, February 14, 2017  
8:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Eastern



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*"Doing My Part"*

Members Present: Deb Strohl, Vicky Thomas, Keith Meissner, Pete Rizzo, Dennis Joannides, Terry Reckart, Mike Schroeder

Guests: Gunning Committee: Tom Calabrese (Chair) Dave Barto & John Leinenger

- I. Call to order
- II. Gunning Committee: Update

The current gun committee came forth with a recommendation that we develop a joint gunning program with the Springer Spaniels. The springers currently have a gunning program with representation across the U.S. that includes some Cocker representatives. Mark Haglin oversees the Springer Gun Committee. It was the consensus of the gunning committee and the FTC that if we could develop a unified committee for springers and cockers it would have advantages to both groups. We talked about the advantages of guns being able to shoot cocker and springer trials as well combining the groups for gunning seminars. Our goal should be to see all gunners referred to as "Gunner" and not need the term "Springer Gun" or "Cocker Gun" and thereby considered safe to shoot at either trial. Finally, we were concerned that the Springer Gunning Seminars do not have a section on shooting in the woods. We suggested that if we combine with the Springers the Gunning Seminar should include a section on shooting in the woods. Since this approach would require the approval of the springers, Dennis made a motion that "Dave and John talk with Mark Haglin to see about the feasibility of a joint program with the Springers." Terry seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. They will reach out to Mark Haglin and report back to our committee.